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Mansfield Agriculture Commission

Mansfield, CT

Dear Chairman,

Tom Wells, Hillside Farm, would like to kill the current sod of the hayfield on Bassetts Bridge Road, which contains the invasive bedstraw perennial weed. This weed is unpalatable and is taking over Connecticut hayfields. The best control strategy is to kill before it seeds, then plan an annual crop such as corn before reseeding the hayfield. Bedstraw does not grow well in the shaded environment of corn.

I recommend that Mr. Wells spray:

Roundup at 1.5 qts/acre to kill the sod and weeds before planting corn silage.

If annual grass and broadleaf weeds emerge in the bare spots after planting corn, he should spray:

Revulin Q at 4 oz/acre

http://www.dupont.com/content/dam/assets/industries/agriculture/assets/cp_PSD-115_K-28513.pdf

Sincerely,

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